

### 1. BOSC 2017 Nominations

**Self Nomination:**

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**Nominator Information**

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**Nominee Information**

**First Name**

Robert

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Blanz

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**Employment Information**

**Place of Employment/Work:**

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

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**Work City**

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**Work State:**

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**Work Postal Code**

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**Work Phone Number**

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**Sector**

State Government

**Qualifications**

**Primary Area(s) of Expertise**

environmental engineering; aquatic ecology

**Committee Preference(s)**

Executive Committee

Safe and Sustainable Water Resources Subcommittee

**Statement of Interest**

My interest in serving on the BOSC is to provide 40 years of environmental experience in all media with an insight into the practical implications and application of EPA research efforts and programs.

**Skills/qualifications related to committee preference(s) specified**

PhD, civil Engineering - Texas A&M University

MS Zoology - University of Arkansas

BA Zoology - University of Arkansas

Registered Professional Engineer

**Other Relevant Information**

My environmental career has entailed both governmental and private sector work in RCRA, CERCLA, CWA, CAA

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**BOSC Nomination**

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**4. Thank You for your Submission!**

**ROBERT E. (Bob) BLANZ**

**Chief Technical Officer, ADEQ**

**Education**

Ph.D. Civil Engineering, Texas A&M University  
MS Zoology (Limnology), University of Arkansas  
BA Zoology, University of Arkansas

**Professional Registration**

Professional Engineer: Arkansas, Tennessee (inactive), Mississippi, Alabama (inactive)

**Relevant Experience**

Dr. Blanz has over 40 years experience in environmental engineering, including 21 with CH2M HILL, an international engineering firm. He served as Vice President and Area Manager for Arkansas. He retired from CH2M HILL in February 2009 and formed Blanz Engineering and Environmental Solutions, Inc. (BEES).

His regulatory experience includes two years as a NPDES permit writer for the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology in the mid 1970's, two years as Director of the Kentucky Division of Water Quality, and seven years as Deputy Director of the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology, now the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

As Director of the Kentucky Division of Water Quality, Dr, Blanz was responsible for programs that included permitting, enforcement, water quality management planning, and production of the first water quality standards promulgated by the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

As Deputy Director and later Interim Director, of the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology, Dr. Blanz had responsibility for the Air, Water, Hazardous Waste, Technical Services, and Construction Grants Divisions. Duties included coordination with other state agencies, coordinating grants and loans for WWTP construction, representation before the General Assembly, and coordination with the Governor's office on a myriad of environmental issues. During his tenure he successfully gained federal delegation of the Air, Water, and Hazardous Waste Programs for Arkansas.

While with CH2M HILL, he managed projects ranging from hazardous waste permitting, hazardous waste facility design and closure, air permitting, NPDES

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permitting, solid waste permitting and construction, multi-media enforcement issues, municipal waste water treatment plant assessments and construction oversight, property transfer assessments, and water quality and air modeling.

His work on investigation, enforcement support, and permitting of hazardous waste sites includes Vertac Chemical Company in Jacksonville, Mountain Pine Lumber in Mena, Lockheed Martin in Camden, Ash Grove Cement in Foreman, US Navy site in Rocket City, West Virginia, US. Army Depot in Anniston, Alabama, and Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville.

Dr. Blanz has considerable experience with the Water Quality Standards implementation and the NPDES permitting program. In addition to writing the first NPDES permits in Arkansas while at ADEQ, and later administering the program, he has been responsible for the preparation of NPDES permit applications for numerous clients in the private sector.

With BEES he continued to assist industrial and municipal clients with minor source air permitting, NPDES and No Discharge water permitting, stormwater permitting and SWPPP development, and hazardous and solid waste compliance issues and post-closure care certification. In addition, he has provided expert testimony and prepared depositions in several environmental related cases.

His military experience includes service in Germany and Vietnam as an infantry officer. In Vietnam he was a member of the 8th Regimental Combat Assistance Team and served as an infantry combat advisor to the South Vietnamese Army. He is an honor graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. Following his active duty years he served in the Arkansas National Guard where he retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

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### **Membership in Professional Organizations**

Arkansas Environmental Federation – Past President, Board Member, and Chair of the Water Committee

Arkansas Water Environment Association - Past President and State Director

Arkansas Council of Engineering Companies (Past Member)

Rotary Club of Little Rock (Past Member)

National Society of Professional Engineers-Arkansas Society (Past Member)

University of Arkansas Civil Engineering Academy (Inducted in 2007)

West Pulaski Public Water Authority Board – Past Chairman

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